# West Hills Middle School

### NOVEMBER 2016

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:**

With cold weather approaching, it's important to be prepared. With that in mind, here are some guidelines about weather-related school closures.

West Hills will remain open, if at all possible, on all scheduled school days. Even when weather conditions are severe, every effort will be made to keep school open in the belief that it is in the best interest of our students.

We recognize the rights of parents to make decisions that are best for their children. The option to keep children home when weather conditions are severe is always at the parents' discretion and the school understands and respects the decision. Make-up schoolwork may be necessary, but teachers will accommodate students on the timely completion of required assignments or tests.

On occasion, may be so extreme that the District will close schools or implement a late start. The following information outlines the communication procedures that will be followed if

such school closure becomes necessary.

Parents should listen to these designated radio or television stations for school closure information between the hours of 6-8 a.m. (If schools dismiss early, the media will air the announcement as soon as possible.)

**Radio Stations** KSL-1160 AM / 102.7 FM **TV Stations** KUTV—Channel 2 KTVX—Channel 4 KSL—Channel 5 Fox-News—Channel 13

One of the following messages will be aired by the media.

- "Schools Will Be Closed"
- "Schools Will Start Late"
- "Schools Will Dismiss Early"

School closures will be posted by 6:00 a.m. on Jordan School District's Web site at www.jordandistrict.org

All announcements are for one day only. No announcement means normal operation.

On severe weather days, understand that buses may be running late due to road conditions and/ or traffic delays. Please watch for email, phone or text messages regarding delayed bus routes. Parents are asked to wait with and/or meet their students at bus stops when buses are running on delayed or emergency schedules.

Parents are encouraged to establish an emergency plan for their children in the event that schools are closed, start late or are dismissed early. Parents should instruct their children where to go or what to do if a parent is not at home.

#### **Make-up Days**

The Utah State Office of Educa-



tion requires a minimum of 180 instructional days of school. Days lost because of inclement weather will be made up first on Washington and Lincoln Day (Presidents' Day) Recess and then during Spring Recess. (As per District Policy D207-Calendar Development)



Stacy Evans Principal West Hills Middle School



### WEST HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PTA PRESIDENT:



The holiday season is upon us which means we are already in the second quarter! I want to give thanks to all of the chairpersons, officers, PTA members, families, friends and WHMS staff who have so graciously given their time to support the students of our school. Special thanks go to those who offered extra time during this busy holiday season. Thank you to all those that came to our Chick Fil A spirit night. It was fun to see everyone there. I hope that everyone has a won-

derful holiday season, a Happy New Year and a safe winter break. See you back in January!

Violet Mills PTSA President



### **CONGRATULATE TO THE REFLECTION WINNERS.**

Literature

Mikayla Irving Alaia Aguero Breanna Lewis Emily Boyd

<u>3D Art</u>

Alexia Gubler Emma Mills Dance

Allison Jackson Ashlynd Loeser Paige Schaus

<u>Film</u> Makaylee Duncan <u>2D Art</u>

Brittany Dunn Dallen Eldredge Kate Mills Laiba Sattar

<u>Photography</u>

Abby Brighton Samantha Hyleman



These students will be representing West Hills in the secondary council reflections composition in January

### **STUDENT REPS:**

Student Reps are doing a donation drive for "The Road Home" We will be collecting blankets, coats, gloves, snow hats, scarves, and snow boots. They are also in need of diapers and baby clothes. Some of the baby items will be donated to the battered women's shelter. We are accepting donations until Tuesday Nov. 22nd after school.

### FREE HOLIDAY CONCERTS:

The West Hills community is invited to celebrate the holiday season with three wonderful and FREE concerts! On Thursday, December 1, we are pleased to welcome the members of the 23rd Army Band of the Utah National Guard for the fourth year in a row. They will be presenting a special holiday concert including a joint performance with members of our own band classes. We are thrilled each year for the opportunity to share the stage with these wonderful men and women, and there is no better concert to kick off your holiday celebrations. The concert will begin at 7:00 PM.

Our choir classes will present their holiday concert on Wednesday, December 14, at 6:30 PM. We will wrap up our holiday concerts with the Band and Orchestra on Tuesday, December 20, also at 6:30 PM. Family, friends, neighbors, and anyone interested in a great show are invited to attend any or all of our concerts.

After Winter Recess, we will be excited to have performances from our Dance classes on Tuesday, January 10. Concerts will be held at 6 and 7:30 PM.